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SUBJECT: MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE: RESOURCES

REF: A. USNATO 4527 (NOTAL)

B. USNATO 6089

C. USNATO 5940

1. IS HAS CIRCULATED SECOND REVISION TO RESOURCE PORTION OF
MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE (ARA 37 OF DRC/WP(74)4, REF A) FOR
DRC DISCUSSION NOVEMBER 13. TEXT FOLLOWS:
BEGIN TEXT:

37. THE NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES ARE INVITED TO BASE THEIR
FORCE PROPOSALS ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT
EITHER (COUNTRIES ALLOCATE TO NATO DEFENCE PURPOSES, WHERE
THIS IS WITHIN THEIR ECONOMIC CAPABILITY, A STABLE AND POSS-
IBLY LARGER PROPORTION OF THEIR GROWING WEALTH)(1) OR (ANY
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OF THE FOLLOWING, SINGLY OR IN COMBINATION:

(1) COUNTRIES CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN THE MANPOWER OF THEIR
FORCES AT THEIR PRESENT LEVEL, UNLESS REDUCED AS A RESULT
OF MBFR AGREEMENTS;

(II) COUNTRIES MAINTAIN THE REAL VOLUME OF THEIR DEFENCE EXPENDITURE BY COVERING INFLATIONARY PAY AND PRICE INCREASES IN FULL, AND IN ADDITION ACHIEVE AN ANNUAL INCREASE IN REAL TERMS OF 3-5 PCT;

(III) COUNTRIES WHICH DEVOTE TO DEFENCE A PERCENTAGE OF GNP ABOVE THE AVERAGE FOR NATO EUROPE (4.1PCT) MAINTAIN THEIR PRESENT PERCENTAGE; COUNTRIES WHICH DEVOTE TO DEFENCE A PERCENTAGE LOWER THAN 4.1 PCT INCREASE IT PROGRESSIVELY TO ACHIEVE THIS FIGURE BY 1982;

(IV) COUNTRIES WHICH DEVOTE A PROPORTION OF GNP TO DEFENCE LESS THAN 4.1 PCT INCREASE IT PROGRESSIVELY TO ACHIEVE THIS FIGURE OR TO AN AMOUNT WHICH REPRESENTS AN EXPENDITURE PER HEAD OF THE POPULATION OF NOT LESS THAN US \$200 (AT 1974 VALUES) BY 1982;

(V) COUNTRIES INCREASE THE PROPORTION OF THEIR DEFENCE BUDGET ALLOCATED TO CAPITAL EQUIPMENT.)

(1) THE FORMUL IN THE CURRENT GUIDANCE - DPC/D(73)8, PARAGRAPH 32, DATED 30TH MAY, 1973
END TEXT

2. MISSION BELIEVES ASYG HUMPHREYS WILL SEEK TO REPLACE EXISTING RESOURCE ALTERNATIVES (REFS B AND C) FOR DECEMBER MINITERIAL CONSIDERATION WITH TWO OPTIONS QUOTED ABOVE. DURING NOVEMBER 13 DRC MEETING, MISSION PROPOSES TO:
AAMEND SECOND ELEMENT OF OPTION TWO ABOVE TO READ
BEGIN QUOTE: COUNTRIES MAINTAIN THE REAL VOLUME OF THEIR DEFENSE EXPENDITURES BY COVERING INFLATIONARY PAY AND PRICE INCREASES IN FULL, AND IN ADDITION ACHIEVE AN ANNUAL INCREASE IN REAL TERMS OF THREE PERCENT OR OTHER SPECIFIC AMOUNT INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES INDICATE DURING CONSULTATIONS IN THE DEFENSE PLANNING COMMITTEE. END QUOTE.
B. AMEMD FIFTH ELEMENT OF OPTION TWO ABOVE TO READ
BEGIN QUOTE: MAJOR EQUIPMENT AND AMMUNITION END QUOTE VICE
BEGIN QUOTE:CAPITAL EQUIPMENT END QUOTE.
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